

Lloyd G. Henbest

Washington, D.C.
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Miss Laura Kilpin
Santa Fe New Mexico

Dear Miss Kilpin:

Since receiving your wire, Mrs Kane's return from Mexico was delayed and we did not know whether another date for the exhibition of your pictures could be arranged. I have just received a call saying that Miss Kane, who is Chairman of the Committee that has charge of exhibitions in the Arts Club of Washington, ^{can} will arrange to hold your exhibition February 18 to March 9, 1951.

In order to get the exhibition installed the pictures must be on hand by the late afternoon of February 16 or not later than early February 17th so that the Committee can go to work Friday evening or early Saturday morning.

It is the custom of the Arts Club of Washington to have a tea the Sunday the shows are opened and if the Artists can attend, they are guests of honor at the tea.

In accordance with the rules for the gallery, the exhibitor pays shipping charges both ways and insurance if insurance is desired; and is required to sign a waiver or release in favor of the club to cover loss by fire, theft, etc. The Arts Club bears the expense of unpacking, hanging, and repacking the exhibit. The

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Prints are exhibited under glass and the Club charges a 15% Commission for sales obtained through its agency or as a result of the exhibition. Photographic prints must be mounted and provided with matter as is customary with photographic salons, but we have no restrictions on size, i.e. within any reasonable limits.

We would like to have your show of the pictures representing the "Rio Grande, River of Destiny," in addition we would like to have 5 to 10 of your prints, old or new or both, representing such pictorial studies as that of the rear of the Rancho de Taos Mission (W.P.A. Guidebook, p. 146); "Navajo Family" same Guidebook; et cetera.

I hope that the date, terms, and prospects are agreeable. Please let me know by telegram collect if they are agreeable and I will notify Min Kane. Mrs. Henbest and I hope that you can attend the opening of your show and will endeavor to have an interesting company of artists and of people interested in your projects to meet you. The opening will be Sunday afternoon February 18. It seems possible that the New Mexico delegation in Congress might be interested and would like to attend, though they are very busy these days.

We enjoyed meeting you and seeing your place and your work. We have often recalled the visit with pleasure. When my field work was completed last September we picked up our own car again and wandered west to the Coast making pictures as the weather and time allowed.

Very Sincerely Yours

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Delighted to send you Rio Grande Show
~~all about~~ ~~as per your letter of Dec 19th~~
telling ~~following~~.